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references which are listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 form attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

1. December 22, 2005 Communication from the European Patent Office transmitting a Supplementary Partial European Search Report Under Rule 46(1) EPC in connection with European Patent Application No. 99953081.9, filed October 6, 1999 (**Exhibit 1**).
2. Database EMBL "Homo sapiens RAGE binding protein mRNA, complete cds," retrieved from EBI Accession No. EM_PRO:AF011757 (1998) (**Exhibit 2**).
3. Hitomi, Jiro and Tonen Corporation, European Patent Application No. EP0731166A filed December 4, 1995, and published September 11, 1996 (**Exhibit 3**).

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